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Editorial Comment

APPOMATTOX COUNTY'S 100TH BIRTHDAY!

BORROW STORIES

Back in 1942, this newspaper considered the advisability of getting out an historical edition on the occasion of its 50th birthday. We decided not to do so, because of wartime publishing problems, including the paper situation.

The same condition now confronts us on the happy occasion of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of Appomattox County. We have a wealth of interesting data concerning the history of this county and its people in our bound files, but to use this material at this time is just not possible.

We are presenting a very limited number of articles and pictures about Appomattox today, and we hope that in the nearing days of peace we can present a complete historical edition.

Meanwhile, we invite you to attend the celebration at the local Court House May 1st.

WOOD AND MILK

In any study of the economic life of Appomattox County, prominence must be given to rapid rise of the timber business and the dairy business. Here are two of our greatest assets, and they will play an increasingly important role in the years to come.

JOBS FOR ALL

We are now as near capacity employment as this nation has ever been, or is likely to be. Everyone physically able should be at work. You can find a job. You save up for a possible future day of unemployment.

San Francisco Conference

Since 1939, the world has heard stories of German horror. We did not know how to take stories of horror from Poland, Greece, Norway, Holland, etc.

Now that our troops are in Germany, and our own eyes can see what has been done the civilized world stands horrified, aghast.

That human beings could treat fellow human beings the way the people of Germany have treated those who unfortunate as to come within their clutches is and remains one of the major crimes of all time.

It will be impossible to fer a this as representatives of the nations of the world assemble at San Francisco this week.

War is always a horrible thing. Enlightened people hate war. But never has it been waged on so heartless, Godless a basis. It must not ever happen again. Our prayers and hopes will be with the delegates gathering at San Francisco. The civilized world looks to them. Future generations depend upon them.

NATIONAL SUICIDE

From Winchester Star

In setting afire the great cities of Bremen, Hanover and Hamburg — and dozens of smaller towns — the Germans not only make public confession that their cause is lost, but reveal again that mania for destruction which has scorched nearly every part of Europe where they have sent their troops and which, indirectly, at least, is responsible for their present plight.

To the normal person, blessed with a rational mind, there is no way to explain this sort of thing. What good does it do to lay waste cities that were centuries in the building, which contain priceless relics of the past, and whose ruin will delay for years the rehabilitation of the country? Only a fanatical Nazi can even profess to supply the answer to this question, and it will not be an answer which will satisfy the great masses of people who have seen their homes leveled and must now wander helplessly around the countryside.

If there is any plan at all behind so clear a policy of national suicide, it probably stems from a realization on the part of the Nazi leaders that the Reich as such never again can mean anything to them or that they will be permitted to live within it. What happens to it is, therefore, of no personal consequence, and the less there is left the smaller will be the Allies' reward for seizing it, and the greater their task of rebuilding it for their own purposes.

Ever since this war began in 1939, utter chaos has followed in the footsteps of the German legions. The wreckage of countless cities, the enslaved states, peoples and governments are but an outward evidence of Hitler's ruthless ruin philosophy.

WAR RESEARCH NEEDS

From Staunton News-Leader

Senator Byrd has introduced a bill which has not attracted much attention amid the all-consuming war news of this week, but which is of tremendous importance to the future safety of the nation. He proposes the establishment of a permanent National Research Board for National Security to develop new military weapons. How badly such a board is needed is well illustrated by our experience in this war, in which Germany and in some items Italy and Japan were far ahead of us when we were forced to fight.

The army and navy have carried on some research in peacetime, but had inadequate personnel, facilities, and appropriations for effective work. Thanks to the influx of specialists from civilian life during the war, they are now ahead of the enemy in many technical developments, set for Army's launching of her highly destructive V-bombs and her introduction of jet planes caught the Allies unprepared for either adequate defense or to retaliate in kind. These weapons have a dangerous potential for the future, and science may find ways for a disarmed power to produce secret weapons of such destructive effect that a new war may come with frightful suddenness.

Senator Byrd's board would number up to 40 members, to be appointed by the president, from the army and navy, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, and civilian technicians and engineers. If we are to guard against new methods of warfare, the creation of such a permanent body is essential.

ERNE PYLE

From New York Times

The death of no other war correspondent could bring a feeling of personal loss to so many Americans as that of Ernie Pyle. He had a place quite definitely his own. He was the chronicler of the human side of the war. In writing without inhibitions of his own feelings and misery and weariness in war, he spoke for the average soldier everywhere. His tolerance were treasured by both the soldier and his family here at home, because they were what each man himself would like to have written had he possessed Ernie's gift of words. And it was a great gift. There can be no mistake about that. Some of his columns, such as that on the death of Captain Waskow, will live as classics of war reporting.

Unlike some of his noted predecessors, Ernie Pyle made no attempt to glorify war or to overstate his own part in it. He hated every moment of it, as do most Americans in and out of uniform. Though he knew that battles must be won, he hated to see the fine boys with whom he had lived and marched and shared K rations killed. He hated to go back. In his last column before he left for the Pacific he wrote: "I'm going simply because there's a war on and I'm part of it, and I've known all the time I was going back. I'm going simply I've got to go—and I hate it." He felt that if he didn't go on through to the end he was failing the boys for whom, as he phrased it, "I've had the humble privilege of being a sort of mouthpiece."

Armed only with a notebook and a pencil, he fought as valiantly as any of the men of whose high courage and sacrifice he wrote so eloquently. As truly as any of them, he died a hero's death before a Japanese machine gun, on an island of which until a few days ago he probably never had heard.

Central portion of Philippines now conquered.

Germany's last pocket ship now under water.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
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Lesson for April 29

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SETTLEMENT AND STRUGGLES IN CANAAN

LESSON TEXT—Judges 2:6, 7, 11, 12, 18, 19; 6:11-16.

GOLDEN TEXT—Be strong and of a good courage, be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.—Joshua 1:9.

God keeps his promises. Israel found that to be true as He brought them into the promised land of Canaan. Those who rebelled against Him had died in the wilderness, but now a new generation had come into possession of the land.

Here they met the challenge of the heathen, and were victorious over them as they trusted the Lord. Joshua, their leader, after faithful services was ready to go to be with the Lord, but before doing so, reminded them of God's promise and of the danger of unbelief and sin. As our lesson opens, we find the people settled in the land, as far as they had taken it. We find:

I. God's Promise Fulfilled (2:6). The Lord had promised the land to them as they went in and possessed it by faith in Him. He fully kept that promise in the measure that they believed Him. They never did take the whole land, but that was because of their failure, not God's.

The story speaks to us. God has provided a rich inheritance for the believer in Christ, but it must be appropriated by faith. How much have we taken out of the riches we have in Christ?

We are also reminded of the absolute faithfulness of God. There is little in this world in which we may repose complete confidence, but we may and should trust God. He has never failed anyone, and He will not fail us.

II. Man's Promise Broken (2:7, 11, 12).

The people had solemnly promised to keep God's commandments (see last week's lesson). That promise they had renewed in response to Joshua's farewell challenge (see Josh. 24:20, 21). They kept their word only as long as those who remembered Joshua were alive, and then they "forsook the Lord."

This fall of Israel has its counterpart in what is taking place in our land today. The great mass of decent people in America were reared in Christian homes. They know what is right, and they live on the spiritual and moral momentum received from their godly parents.

The next generation now coming into power, without the benefit of spiritual training in the home and church, are forsaking the Lord and following other gods, the gods of pleasure, of money, of lust.

III. God's Plan of Deliverance (2:18, 19).

One would have thought that God would give up a people so set on sinning, but He did not. He provided deliverance for Israel. That gives us courage, for we know that He has not given us up, but has provided in Christ a sure deliverance—if America will but turn to Him.

For Israel's deliverance God provided judges, who were not only judicial, but, in fact, primarily administrative in their work. They were God's men to call Israel back to Him. The repeated failure and backsliding of Israel brought new acts of mercy on God's part in calling out new judges.

It is interesting to note that God works through men. Some of these judges were great men. Others were just ordinary men. But each in his appointed place, at the appointed time, was God's man.

God is looking for men today who will serve Him. He wants brilliant, capable men, but He also calls the ordinary, everyday variety, and as they are faithful, He blesses them. Has He called you? Are you responding?

IV. God's Presence and Power (6:11-16).

Israel had long been under the oppression of the Midianites, who would sweep over the land and steal their crops and their flocks. Israel finally turned to God for help, and He met their need by calling Gideon as the fifth of the judges.

God chooses better than to call an effe man, one who is sitting around waiting for opportunity to knock. He seeks out the busy person and gives him more to do.

Note the entirely adequate provision made for Gideon's success. "Surely I will be with thee." That means both the presence and the power of the eternal and omnipotent One.

Gideon at once began the tearing down of the heathen places of worship in his own community. It was the hardest place to start. It always is. But the one whose light is to shine afar must see that it shines brightest at home.

The humility of Gideon as he looked at himself (v. 15) is commendable. But note that he did not permit it to shut the door of faith, as he believed God and did mighty exploits for Him. Don't trust yourself, but do trust God!

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Pasture Improvement

Pasture, which could be one of the most profitable of farm crops, gets the least attention of any of them, in the opinion of extension agronomists. They suggest a pasture improvement program that provides livestock with one type of sod for the majority of the pasture season and another type of sod for midsummer pasture. The start toward both types is the same, an application of lime heavy enough to permit successful production of legumes. The quickest way to establish the midsummer pasture is to fence the old pasture sod until it is loosened and dead, and this usually requires two discings, with the disc lapped half way each time. When a good pasture is established it should be maintained by rotecting it from overgrazing.

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Farm Topics

Cheaply Constructed Smoke House Useful

Building May Also Serve For General Storage Use

SEVERAL types of smoke houses are proving satisfactory. The kind of house to be selected will depend largely upon the volume of meat to be smoked, as well as other use that may be made of the house.

Where an "A" shaped smoke house is used, the wall or sides should be made of boards about 9 feet long, in order to keep the meat about 5 feet away from the fire. The sloping walls should enter the floor at the bottom. The house 8 feet long is large enough for the smoking of a large number of hogs. As usually the Canadian bacons, cheek butts and the hams will come out of the cure three or four weeks before the hams are ready to smoke.

Many use the barrel for smoking meat. The smoke should enter the barrel through a tunnel from a fire as much as 5 or 6 feet from the barrel.

For the other type of house illustrated, almost any material may be used for the walls. There should be some small openings or cracks at the top of the house. The house walls should be at least 7 feet high.

Smoke Houses for Every Purpose.

The floor dimensions may be as wide as 4 by 6 feet.

Small one or two car garages have been used satisfactorily for smoke houses. The storm cellar or storage cellar may also be utilized.

It takes about 30 hours of continuous smoking to finish the job on hams. A small fire can be started every morning and allowed to die down during the afternoon, or the smoking can be done continuously.

King Tut Contributes Pest Resistant Pea

At the Air Forces Tactical center, Orlando, Fla., may be seen growing a new specie of pea, "King Tut." The original seeds from which these vines sprang were placed by Egyptian priests in the tomb of King Tutankhamen, 3,300 years ago. When Howard Carter found the peas in the royal tomb of King Tutankhamen in 1922, he sent them to England. A few later found their way to America, finally coming into production at the AFTC in Florida.

The department of agriculture pronounces them as a specie previously unknown in this country, or any place else so far as could be determined.

The remarkable thing about these plants, whereas the usual worms, lice and beetles continued to chew up surrounding vegetation, they spurned completely the Egyptian intruders.

Arranging Ideal Barn

The ideal barn will be arranged for "circular travel" to eliminate dead-end trips and backtracking. The doors and gates will be located for convenience, not from habit. Hay chutes will be provided so that hay need not be carried more than 15 feet. Easy access to milk house will be provided. Work room for all tools and equipment will be provided. Proper and adequate lights will be provided in stable and barn. Have bedding handy.

Pamplin

Pamplin, April 23.- Mrs. Emery Davis recently visited her husband, Pvt. Emory Davis, of Florida.

Mrs. Mary Barnwell recently visited her aunt, Mrs. Martha J. Williams.

Mrs. T. C. Ligon and children Tommie and Ann, recently accompanied Miss Sadie Wooton to her home near Jetersville, for a week end visit.

Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Fitzgerald were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Baird of Buckingham and Master Frances B. Fitzgerald, II., of Concord Depot, Va.

Miss Mary Rives Black, of Richmond spent last week-end with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. M Black.

Miss Merle Davis, of Richmond, spent last week end with her mother, Mrs. N. A. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Worsham, of Lynchburg visited their home here last Sunday.

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Mrs. Mary Robertson, who has been visiting relatives in Amherst county for the past six months, left for her home in Lynchburg last week.

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Appomattox County 100 years old on May 1st, 1945

South War Loan bon on.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, April 24.- Miss Betty Wheeler spent the week-end with Miss Ann Jones.

Mrs. W. E. Martin and family spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cyrus.

Miss Shirley Garrett, of Lynchburg and Mrs. Virgil Robertson, and Mrs. Jimmie Robertson and son visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Robertson Sunday.

David Cyrus, of the Merchant Marine, who has recently been promoted to seaman first class, is spending several days with his parents, Mr and Mrs. D. H. Cyrus.

Mrs. Joel Asher and daughters are visiting her parents, Mr. and

Mrs. W. H. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bondurant and family, of Stonewall, spent Sunday in the home of his sister, Mrs. W. H. Robertson.

Sonny Marks, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moon.

Vera

Vera, April 24.- Miss Catherine Page, of Lynchburg spent the past week-end with Bell Phelps, at Oakville.

Barbara Blackwell spent the week-end with Maude Chernault.

Mrs. Tom Robertson, Mrs. Willie Beale and Mrs. Johnny Carnefix spent Monday evening with Mrs. J. J. Chernault.

Mr. and Mrs Spencer Garrett, Jr. and son, Braxton, and Irene Garrett and friend, of Baltimore, spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Garrett, Jr.

Rudolph and Bobby Carter, of Lynchburg, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Carter.

Mrs. [illegible] spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Braxton Page.

Mr. and Mrs. North Robertson and family spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reynolds and family spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Carnefix.

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